



MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Those Serving Us This Month: Elders: Joe Diamond and Mitch Coop Altar Guild: Vonnie Springer Greeters: Open	2 Men's Lunch 12:00 School Brd. 6:30pm PTA 3:15pm	3	Dinner 5:30/ Lent Service 7PM	4 Quilting Ladies Aid 7PM	5	6
7 Communion Service 9am / Sunday Schl & B.Study 10:15	8	9	10 Dinner 5:30/ Lent Service 7PM	11 Quilting	12	13
National Lutheran Schools Week						
14 Worship Service 9am Sunday Schl & B.Study 10:15 	15 Elders 6pm Council 7pm	16	17  Dinner 5:30/ Lent Service 7PM	18 Quilting	19 Confirma- tion Class to Lutheran Island Cmp	20
21 Communion Service 9am Sunday Schl & B.Study 10:15	22	23	24 Dinner 5:30/ Lent Service 7PM	25 Quilting	26	27
28 Service 9am / Sunday Schl & B.Study 10:15	29	30	31	Acolyte Schedule March 3rd: Zach Jacobson March 7th: Adele Olson March 10th: Ben Berry March 14th: Brittney Coop March 21st: Adele Olson March 24th: Savhanna Berger March 28th: Dylan Stiffe		

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Worship and Bible Study Schedule

Worship Services: Sundays 9:00AM

Wednesday Night Lent Services 7:00PM

Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

Sunday School: Sundays 10:15AM

Bible Studies: Sundays 10:15AM

Confirmation Classes

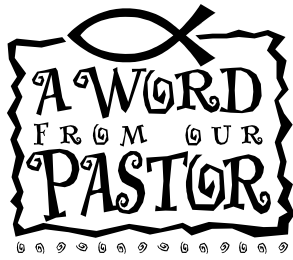
Wednesdays 6:00PM Sept - May (except during Lent)

Crown Christian School

Preschool Sessions 2009-2010
 Mon, Wed & Fri. 8:45AM - 11:45AM

Kindergarten through 7th Grade
 8:30 - 3:00





Greetings:

Have you ever thought of the Church in the terms of Sharing, Caring and Keeping? These words made up the theme of a stewardship program some years ago. I think they are a pretty good theme to keep in mind for our Church all the time.

As Christ's people, it is our pleasure to Share who He is and who we are with the world in which we live. Our Lord has shared who He is with us from the beginning. Through His promises and actions He has shared Himself with us and all people. Who but a most gracious God would share Himself with those whom He created for His own friendship but who have rebelled and all too often turned our own way. Yet He never deviates from sharing with us. He continually gives us His Word of life, hope and eternity. He shares His person with us in the Holy Supper. He shares His glory with us as He perpetually cares and keeps us. Therefore, it is only right that we share who He is in our thoughts, words and deeds. Last month many of us made an intentional promise to share our time, talents and treasures with Christ and His Church. I pray that we are moved to not only keep that promise but work to increase it and continue to encourage all others in our parish to do the same. From my seat it is so pleasing to see how Christ moves mightily through us in the sharing in His Church.

As we share we demonstrate that we Care. This is a reflection of how very much Christ cared for us. We were indeed lost and wandering in spiritual aimlessness until He cared so much that He gave Himself to draw us back to purpose and direction of life and eternity. I invite you to come and walk the road of Christ's caring with us as we continue our journey to the cross through the theme of "The Prayers of the Passion" this Lenten season. Christ cared enough to literally give His all for us. I can't even imagine how much we want to respond with caring for all others in thought, word and deed. Caring is an intentional outward expression of love, understanding returned thanks for the care we have received.

Through caring we express that we are Keeping all that God has given us. Even as we keep the faith, hope and life we know that on a grander scale Christ is keeping us. Christ never comes to us with His grace and blessings then says that we are on our own to



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Don Peterson	2	
Leon Stoeckel	3	
Macy Hass	6	
Annette Barrett	8	
Becky Moritz	10	
Bradley Bartz	10	
Daryl Grams	12	
Robin Kreger	13	
Ralph Hiller	14	
Travis Hartwig	14	
Lacey Wood	18	
Todd & Elijah Suess	20	Anniversary
Allen Bye	21	
Gerald Koepp	21	
Katie Witte	21	
Mary Cralley	21	
Mayme Jacobson	21	
LeeAnn Ricke	22	
Megan Jacobson	23	
Maurice & Diane Anderson	24	Anniversary
Matthew Rehborg	25	
Preston Moss	25	
Art and Mary Witte	26	Anniversary
Gene Grams	27	
McKayla Smith	27	
Samantha Stifter	27	
Dorothy Lemke	30	
Leon Bray	31	

The Sunday School kids will be singing at the Palm Sunday Service. Please meet downstairs at 8:45am.

Our last day of Sunday School for this year will be on May 23rd.

The Confirmation Class will be going to Lutheran Island Camp on March 19-20th. Please meet at the Church as soon as you can after school. We will try to leave by 5:00pm.

Confirmation Sunday will be on May 2nd.



The Crew at Camp Restore in New Orleans



Ron Sundeen, Jerry, Mike Tyson, Pastor, Loren, Brent Matthew, Michael, Carrie, and Rachel Rehborg



Belinda and Pastor Rehborg

The crew spent the week helping to restore Belinda's house after the devastation left by hurricane Katrina.

keep such gifts. No indeed! He perpetually keeps us. Sometimes when we think we are asked to suffer with illness or injury we forget that Christ uses such things to draw us closer to Himself.

Sometimes when we have good fortune we are given the blessings so we remember to thank Him for the gifts. When we have the privilege to help someone else with a project or something they can't do themselves we are being kept by Christ in the model of the giving faith we have been given. When we hear a piece of music or painting that touches our soul we are being kept in the faith by Christ through that artist. When we take the time to join Christ's people in His house for worship we are being kept in the faith. When ever we partake of the Holy Supper, Christ personally is coming to us to keep us close to Him. So as Jesus keeps us in the faith and life of faith we are to do our level best to keep ourselves and others in the faith. As I see it the best way to live this third aspect of our Christian life is to keep the vows we have made. Some of them are the vows we made at our confirmation, our wedding, to our children regarding their continued growth in the faith, to our Church to use our time, talents and treasures to build it and Christ's whole kingdom.

Life is about sharing, caring and keeping. They start with Christ, come to us and out through us to the whole world. God's richest blessings be with you as you consider your lives as sharing, caring and keeping.

Have a blessed March.

Pastor Rehborg

A Poem by Emily Dickenson: *Death is a Dialogue*

*Death is a dialogue between
The spirit and the dust
"Dissolve," says Death. The Spirit, "Sir,
I have another trust."*

*Death doubts it, argues from the ground,
The Spirit turns away,
Just laying off, for evidence,
An overcoat of clay.* 3

February 15, 2010

Adam Schutte call the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Ron Sundeen opened with prayer.

The Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved as read.

The Treasurer's Report shows a checkbook balance of negative \$2,206.80 and \$4,110.20 of outstanding bills to pay. The total balance in the Memorial Fund is: \$1,420.00. The Cemetery loan balance is: \$15,250. Question was asked if the New Consecration Sunday team would be sending our "Snowbirds" information about New Consecration Sunday; the answer is that they did get sent. Motion made, seconded and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Elders' Report - Ash Wed. is on Feb 17th. The Confirmation Class will be going to Lutheran Island Camp for a retreat on March 19th & 20th. May 2nd will be Confirmation Sunday. Motion made, seconded and passed to approve the Elders' Report.

Pastor's Report - Rev. Rehborg thanked our congregation for renewing his subscription of the "Good News" magazine for this year. There are extra copies of this magazine in the Fellowship Hall for anyone to pick up.

School Board Report - \$4,500 was given over to the Church for the month of January. Valentines Dinner and Silent Auction went well with \$854 made from the Silent Auction which is designated to be passed on to the Church and the dinner proceeds were about \$490. The school will be promoted at the business Expo in Zimmerman on March 20th. An Open House for the school will be on Thur. Feb. 18th. We will be in the Wild West Days parade in Zimmerman again this year. Rachel Schutte attended the North Dist. Schools Principals' meeting where they met with a lawyer to discuss legal issues regarding schools. One of the things suggested by the lawyer is that we should have all of our policies written out. The School Board will implement a policy regarding when a teacher may be called in to do jury duty. The teacher should first ask that their service be postponed until the summer months. If a teacher does have to serve we will hire a substitute for the classroom and the teacher will pay to our school, what they receive for doing jury duty. The School Board report was approved.

Trustees' Report - The roof of the parsonage needs some repair. The Men's club will start to raise funds for this with what they take in for serving a Lent meal. The snowplow truck is leaking oil; Denzil changed the oil and filter.

Old Business - Comments were made by Council members regarding the New Consecration Sunday event, these comments included: Some Church members were concerned about how the catered dinner was getting paid for, some members were confused about the different mail-

Becoming Northern Lights 2010



A Ministry and Mission
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For You and Your
Church

Saturday, March 20th

9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Family of Christ Lutheran School, Baxter

- Your choice of 15 workshops!
- Keynote speaker Rev. Paul Mueller
"Mission of God"

See flyer for additional event information, workshop descriptions and registration form.

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Ladies Aid Meeting Feb. 4, 2010

This meeting was changed from 7pm to an afternoon, after quilting, meeting because of the anticipated road conditions for the evening.

Present at this meeting: Donna, Sylvia, Tressie, Beatrice, Irene, Sue Morse, Jan Carlson, Mary, Barb Johnson.

The minutes from December 2009 meeting were read with no corrections.

The Treasurer's report shows a beginning balance of \$7,148.08 from November and an ending balance today of: \$1,555.36.

Thank you notes from the families of Veryl Hass and Llyod Miller were read. Christmas gift thank you from Kelli LaVoie was read and a verbal thank you was given by Mary Cralley.

We need more people to sign up for Altar Guild for the months of March, April, July, November and December. Mary will put this in the bulletin.

Jan Carlson bought \$10 Subway gift cards to be sent to those in the Military and college. They are Jeff Beise, Kyle Fredrickson, and Mike Anderson and in college; Aaron Cralley, Liz Carlson, Travis Hartwig, Katie Grams, Kevin Ricke, Leeann Ricke, Nic Broten, Paige Sundeen, Tyler Hass, Andy Jacobson.

Spring Rally - There will be a planning meeting in Alexandria on Feb. 6th. Those going will be: Jan Carlson, Donna Schleif, and Oriet Diamond. Anyone else who wants to go can and should meet here at Zion at 8:30am that morning.

Wednesday Lent Meals - The ladies are serving on Wed. Feb. 17th (Ash Wednesday). We will serve Turkey a la King on biscuits with seven layer salad and bars. Mary will check with Sysco for the biscuits. Those making the salads will be: Mary, Sylvia, Sue and Donna. Making bars will be Barb and Jan. We will also serve on March 3rd; Shepherd's Pie with Cole Slaw and Apple and/or Peach Crisp.

District Biennial Convention will be on June 28-30, 2010 at Arrowwood Resort in Alexandria, MN.

We talked about our Christmas Cards and whether we need to order more. The cost has gone up. Donna passed around a brochure to get suggestions from us on which ones to order.

We discussed Lutheran World Relief's request for quilts and kits to be sent to Haiti. We will send our quilts to Haiti through LWR. We will not be doing the kits.

A request was made for some money from the Ladies' Aid to help out the confirmation class for their retreat to Lutheran Island Camp on March 19th and 20th. The cost per student is \$54.00. A motion was made, seconded and passed to give the Confirmation Class \$220 (\$20 per person) to help with the retreat costs.

The meeting ended at 12:30 with dessert prepared by host, Barb Johnson.

ings that went to their homes, a few Church members were uneasy about attending the New Consecration Service because they didn't want to feel pressured in their giving. The New Consecration team described some of the strict guidelines that they followed with the program. All in all, most felt the program was successful. The Church Auction is being planned. The nominating committee (Candy, Carol Bray and Mitch Coop) met and divided up the list of names to approach for nomination. Adam read a letter by Duane Broten regarding lawn mowing services that he has provided. The Trustees will go over the options for mowing the property for this next season.

New Business - We will be getting our next year's budget together at the March Council meeting to be presented to the Voters in April. Each group involved in the budget should get their numbers together by the March meeting. The checking accounts for the Choir and Men's Club which Delton Stoeckel was handling will need to be transferred to others. Motion was made, seconded and passed to remove Delton Stoeckel from these checking accounts and transfer them to Dana Coop (Choir) and Bob Ricke (Men's Club). The Tube unit that was install to originally be used with an organ but is not being used will be taken out and we will try to sell it. Mary Cralley will look into selling the Toshiba copier.

Motion to adjourn was made and passed. Meeting ended at 8:05pm.

Closed with prayer.

submitted by - Mary Cralley, Council Secretary

Elder's Meeting

February 15, 2010

Pastor, Mitch, Ron, Leon and Adam were present. Pastor opened with a Bible Study on the Augsburg Confession. Lent mid-week services will begin with Ash Wednesday on February 17th. There will be a Supper preceding each Wednesday Night Services. The Confirmation class will be going to Lutheran Island Camp for a Retreat on March 19th-20th. Confirmation Sunday will be May 2nd. The Elders will be looking to submit their budget for the upcoming April Voters Meeting for approval by the Church Council in March.

Respectfully Submitted,
Adam Schutte



School Board Minutes 2/2/2010

Bob Ricke opened the meeting with prayer. School Board members present were Dale, Bob, Jason and Carol. Staff present was: Rachel and Jan.

Secretary's Report was read and approved. The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. The School Board gave the church \$3000 on 2/1 so payroll could be met. On 2/2, \$935.03 was in the checking account. (*we gave another \$1,500 to the Church on 2/7*)

The Valentine's Dinner was discussed. The PTA is having another meeting the week of 2/7. The children are going to set up the tables for the dinner on the 2/12 as there is no school on the 13th. The agenda for the Valentine's Dinner and Silent Auction was discussed. We will have different tables bidding end at different times. The payments for all auctioned items will be done at the conclusion of the dinner and entertainment. Carol mentioned that some change needs to be available for the Silent Auction donations.

The NLSA accreditation was discussed. This is a very large endeavor and much needs to be done to the school and to the paperwork before we will be NLSA ready. A very large time commitment; especially for the Principal.

Church visits were discussed. Rachel will call Faith Lutheran to discuss what is expected of the visit. Carol made a recommendation that Rachel's children should not require pre-school tuition if and when Rachel does volunteer teaching during the Pre-School hour. Rachel asked that we table this recommendation until the next meeting.

Preparation for the The Open House (2/18) was discussed. The signage was briefly discussed. Dale is working with Boo. Dale is to get the bid from Boo so payment can be made to Boo. We should try to get the signs out asap.

The Zimmerman Business Expo was discussed at length. It was determined we would participate in the EXPO.

Wild West Days: Leon Bray will once again supply the vehicle. Rachel will register asap in the hopes that Leon can get an early number.

Rachel went to a Principal's meeting where a lawyer was present to discuss legal issues. It is critical that policies be put in writing.

Jan was called to Jury Duty. Staff that is called for Jury Duty will tell the gov't officials that they are teachers and they would prefer to get called for jury duty in the summer months. Any staff member on jury duty will get their regular pay for days they are required to be present for jury duty and forfeit their jury duty pay to Zion/CCS.

The need to have a written Financial Aid Application was brought up by Rachel. She shared a few applications to expose the detail some applications require. Some suggestions were noted and Rachel will compile several samples for the School Board's review.

Computers and technology. The Staff and School Board is still actively working on having a good technology for our students.

Bob will represent the School Board at the next Church Council meeting.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

God's Blessings To All, Carol Bray

PTA Minutes February 9th, 2010



- Mrs. Meyer opened with prayer at 3:30pm.
- Maureen Baty summarized last meetings minutes.
- Treasurers' report was the same as last meeting.

-In attendance were; Jan Carlson, Beth Meyer, Kelli LaVoie, Tara Olsen, Sue Morse, Tabitha Wiltsey, Jolynn Berry, Julie Jacobson, Annette Barrett, Christine Radtke, Janeen Wolfsteller, Kara Hviding, Becky Fisher, and Maureen Baty.

*Valentine Dinner/Silent Auction this Sat, February 13 @ 6pm

We have sold 90 tickets for this event so far, and we have 25 volunteer dinners. Jolynn Berry and Julie J are in charge of the roast beef and chicken kiev purchasing and cooking. They will have many helpers as well. Elijah Suess will provide the brownie mix. Janeen will get the 40 eggs and 100lbs of potatoes. Annette will pick up the raspberry ginger ale and punch glasses for the event. There will be seating assignments that Mary will have when each guest comes in. There will be babysitting for *volunteers children only*. Tabitha will pickup two floral arrangements donated from ER Floral. We may have a CD player for music during the dinner. Thank you to everyone for helping make this event a success!!

*March Madness Sat., March 13 from 3-5pm

There are many different ideas on ticketing, prizes, bake sale, crafts, etc. This is hoping to be a community event, so invite your neighbors and friends!! We will finalize these plans at the next meeting.

**New Business*

-Tyson Labels-our school will receive \$.24 for each label. Please start saving these!!

- Our school advertised in the St. Francis paper and already has received 5 inquiries from that ad!! Praise God!!

Adjourned by Sue Morse @ 4:22pm